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## BOSTON.

We beg to call the attention of our Maine brethren to the announcement of services to be conducted by Rev. Wyand, on the tour being planned for him. This will be his opportunity to conduct a tour in Maine for some time to come. He will preach at the First Baptist Church, Portland, Sunday, on August 22d, 2:30 P.M. On Tuesday, August 24th, 7:30 P.M., First Baptist Church, in Andover. At this service Mr. C. Kane will be immersed, and taken into that church by Mr. Wyand. On Thursday evening services will be held in the Free Will Baptist Church, Augusta. On Sunday, August 29th, at 2:30 P.M., he will preach to the Convention delegates in the Bangor Y. M. C. A. He will be in Bangor during the Convention sessions, and then, as well as at all times, will be ready to render any service required of an ordained minister.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wellington are rusticiating in Camden, Maine, and enjoying it.

Deacon Goldsmith has had the experience of his life. He accepted an invitation from Maj. Beuchene to get back close to nature by spending a couple of nights in the latter's wigwam, near Oxford, Mass. The good deacon has clung to the idea that the fates objected to mankind sleeping with nothing between him and the spacious firmament on high but a sheet of canvass, and even less between him and old mother earth beneath, besides old kinds of hobgoblins, and spooks are out in force with the fall of night, to carry away every shade of humanity that had not sought shelter, behind barricades. After much arguing, and finally a view of the wigwam and the peerless Major, clad in his genuine cowboy duds, with a gun in each boot that spoke volumes in favor of peace, the venerable septuagenarian stretched himself out on the good green sod, now only solicitous as to the sensation that that much-heard-of earth current was going to produce, as it began to seek a passage through him, for the purpose of rejuvenating him. Whether this current was going to be similar to that of an electric chair was of much concern; but while waiting for its coming old Morpheus carried away the poor fellow, only to wake up a few moments later, as he supposed, to find that he had dozed the whole night away, and was feeling like a young deer. When he retired the evening before he verily was laboring under a delusion that the end was near, and with the advent of old Sol his friend would be searching high and low, in mourning, for all that was mortal of him, for no sooner had he gained his feet and realized he was still alive, than he set about informing the outside world that he was feeling better than ever in his life, and that people had yet to live to learn and learn to live. He extends his vacation tour through Maine.

Through the kindness of Miss Sprague, the young lady from the Wisconsin School, the writer was able to see Dr. Sargent's Harvard Summer Gymnasium School at work, and to meet the instructors. The school has students from all parts of the United States, and their work was of fine order. Dr. Sargent, and one of the instructors, recalled the good work done by several deaf persons who have attended the school, and regarded them as among the best, though they received no benefit of the lectures and verbal instructions given at same time as muscular. Miss Sprague is an expert lip-reader, but that was of very little or no service to her while drill was in order. The instructors spoke well of her, and when she departed for her home last Saturday, she carried with her the honors of the highest standing of her class.

The local papers give out a statement to the effect that the mother of Harry Thaw was one of the persons to spend much money on Helen Keller during her school life. It was reported some time ago that the late H. H. Rogers spent heavily on her, but this was proven to be false, Mr. Rogers helping her only in a nominal way. The same publica-

tion says Miss Keller lost her wealth in speculating, and her recent retirement to the Maine farm was more of a financial necessity than a matter of choice.

The marriage at Providence, R. I., of Mr. David Jones, a product of the Montrael School, and by profession an engraver, employed by the Suffolk Engraving Co., Boston, to Miss Ellen Stone, of Waltham, an oralist and formerly employed in Boston, has been announced.

The New Hampshire Association will hold its next Convention in Derry, September 4th to 6th. A number of the Bostonians expect to attend, as that city is just over the line. The Rev. Mr. Wyand will attend by request, and will give a reading on Saturday evening, September 4th, and preach on Sunday afternoon, September 5th, and perform other duties requested.

Mr. Henry Fairman, of Worcester, was in town Wednesday, on business. He is the "E. H. Harriman" of the New England deaf, and an ever-welcome visitor.

Before our letter is in print Boston air will be full of punctures, and, and so will Uncle Sam's pocket. The Greatest War Game ever planned will be played in this section between August 14th and 21st. The country is full of soldiers. The honk-honk noises will be out of commission during that period, and a number of other articles are going to be permanently put out.

It becomes our painful duty this week to chronicle the death of Thomas F. Moodie, who died at 4:30 P.M., Thursday, August 12th, after twelve days' illness. Mr. Moodie had apparently been suffering from complications of troubles for some years, but never to the extent to keep him from his work as box maker at Kennedy Biscuit Co. He was last seen at the picnic, July 31st, and looked somewhat worse, but his usual quiet manner concealed it. He was in bed since that evening, but none of the deaf knew of it, excepting a few near his home. Rev. Mr. Wyand was apprised of it at 3 P.M., Thursday, and got to Cambridge at 4:15, finding Mr. Moodie unconscious, and the end near. The physician saying it would arrive before sunset. Prayer was offered, and almost immediately afterwards the spirit fled. Mr. Moodie's wife died six years ago. He is survived by three daughters, the youngest being about sixteen. Two brothers and a sister survive in Vermont, his birth place. As there was no one at the house but the girls and Mrs. Finnick, and a neighbor, Mr. Wyand's arrival was a relief in other ways than clerical. After death he was asked to take full charge, and soon had the undertaker at the house, and by dark all the plans for the funeral made. It was held at the house Saturday afternoon, and conducted by Mr. Wyand, it being his first. The pall bearers were Messrs. Finnick, Bigelow, Rudolph, Bruce, McNeil and Holmes. The remains were placed at rest in the Cambridge Cemetery, beside those of his wife. The services at the house and grave were both impressive, Mrs. Finnick signing "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and Mr. Wyand "Forever with the Lord." SUB.

St. Thomas Mission, St. Louis.  
Christ Cathedral Chapel, 19 and Locust Sts.  
Rev. J. H. Cloud, Minister, 2600 Virginia Avenue.  
Mr. Arthur O. Steidmann, Lay Reader.

Sunday Services at 10:45 A.M.  
Sunday School at 10 A.M.  
Week-day meetings at 8 P.M., on first and third Fridays and fourth Wednesday, in the Parish House.

Baltimore Methodist Deaf-Mute Mission.  
Rev. D. E. Moylan, Pastor, 740 W. Fayette Street.

Services at Eutaw Street M. E. Church, every Sunday, at 3:30 P.M.  
Sunday School, at 2:30 P.M.  
Week day meetings every Thursday evening, at 8 P.M., in the lecture room. (Except during July and August.)  
Holy Communion, first Sunday each month. Everybody welcome.

## "SEES" CLEARLY BY SENSE OF FEELING.

BLIND AND DEAF SAMUEL KOFFMAN GRASPS INTRICATE SUBJECTS READILY.

If the average person was told that a man with the sense of hearing and sight entirely gone, and the sense of speech only partially developed had taken a trip through one of Lynn's leading shoe shops, and had thoroughly enjoyed it, he would probably put one hand to his head, and make that rotary motion that denotes a padded cell in Dr. Dippy's factory. But a man who has been bereft of this three most needful senses is forced to develop his others far beyond the development in the ordinary mortal. Samuel Koffman, of 262 Rich Avenue, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., is an extraordinary man. At the tender age of five years the sudden discharge of fireworks on a Fourth of July so scared him that he was unable to see clearly, hear, or talk thereafter. His sight during the interim of the next ten years went back on him altogether. He has never regained his sense of hearing, and the power to enunciate, which was lost at the time of the pathetic circumstance, has only been slightly developed after patient and careful training.

Mr. Koffman is now fifty-four years old. He is a fine-looking, tall, straight, portly man, and the casual observer would never notice anything unusual about him if it were not for the juvenile attendant who pilots him around. He has been in this city once before. He came here a year ago to visit some of the frequenters at the blind room in the city library, which is in charge of Jennie M. Bubier, the blind attendant there. He has travelled considerably since he has been old enough to get around, but up to Monday had never been in a shoe shop. He expressed a desire to have this experience, and through the courtesy of Alexander E. Little, of the Sorosis shoe factory, his desire was granted. Mr. Koffman evinced the most lively interest in everything he saw, or rather touched. He neither saw nor heard, but it is safe to say that he has a better general understanding of the manufacture of a shoe, and even this can be qualified to the extent of saying the Sorosis shoe, than many a man who may have gone through before and knew less when he went out than when he entered.

### VISIT TO SHOE FACTORY

From top floor to the basement Mr. Koffman was piloted, and interested workmen willingly explained to the little boy pilot just what was done in their individual department. The boy, Lester James McKenzie, 14 years old, is an exceptionally bright youth, by the way, and while the details were being explained to him, he, almost as quickly, informed Mr. Koffman through the deaf-mute and blind alphabet. The little fellow's fingers worked with surprising speed in the blind man's hands, as letters, words and sentences were framed. Then after the explanation Mr. Koffman would be allowed to feel the article about which he had been informed. Several times it took but a touch for him to recognize the different parts of the shoe. It was a marvelous spectacle to see him grasp almost at once the intricate explanations. Of course he could not see buttons sewed on boots with one sweep of the boot over a delicate machine, or eyelets made as quickly. He could see none of the machinery. But he knew it was running for the vibrations from the floor made him know where he was before he had fairly mounted the steps when he first went into the big building. He could also tell whether especially heavy work or especially light work was being done by the difference in the vibrations.

He collected numerous samples that were given him, and seemed as pleased as a boy at everything he touched. He seemed especially interested in the lasts, and it could be noticed as he handled the different kinds that he has an especially well developed artistic temperament. For the lasts on which the most stylish shoes are made received considerably more attention than those on which the clumsier

grade of shoes are fashioned. Mr. Koffman is a little afraid of machinery, and did not want to touch any of it. But he was an interested listener, through his own language, to the explanations of the workings of this and that piece of mechanism. He appreciates a good joke as well as anybody, and he jollied the girls as best he could whenever in departments where female employees work. As Mr. Koffman can doubtless give a more coherent account of just what he knows of shoe manufacturing than the writer could possibly turn out, it would not be wise to go into detail concerning his trip. But he went through every department. He "felt" it all.

### LOST FACULTIES AT FIVE YEARS OF AGE.

A few facts about this marvelous man's career will doubtless prove interesting. While Helen Keller may have her sense of feeling more acutely developed than any deaf, dumb and blind person of the present era, it is doubtful if even she shows any more quick-witted intelligence than does Mr. Koffman. He was born in New York State fifty-four years ago of parents who were normal in every way. His father's name was Adolphus, and his mother's name Pauline. He was a healthy, active and precocious youngster until the fatal accident of that Fourth of July day when he was five years old. Just how the sudden scare had the effect that it did is one of the things that is baffling to medical science. But if fate had ordained that Mr. Koffman should be without three of his senses, it was probably kind of her, to have the accident happen when it did. At the age of five he was undoubtedly in a better position to enter upon his new mode of life than he would have been at a later age. The accident did not take his sight wholly away. He at first became very near-sighted, but was able to see his way around with the aid of strong glasses. The sight, however, which had received its death knell with the explosion of the untimely fireworks, gradually disappeared, and, at the age of 15, he was totally blind.

Until he was 13 Mr. Koffman remained at home, where his parents did all they could for him in the way of education. When he reached that age he entered the deaf, dumb and blind school at New York City, where he learned the language. He stands to-day as one of the most notable graduates of the school. While he learned how to read from the raised texts there, and in many ways equipped himself for what would be a stormy life battle, it was not until eight years ago that he learned the deaf and dumb system of talking. This he picked up with surprising rapidity.

When quite young he went West and remained there for ten years. He then came east, and went to the Catskill Mountains. He first ran a dairy farm, but this did not pay. Then he took up horticulture, and his sixteen big hothouses were show places for that vicinity. He lived on his farm many years, and then returned to New York City. Only a few years since he moved to his present residence.

### HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY.

Mr. Koffman took in the Jamestown Exposition three years ago, and has also been all over Washington, D. C. He has traveled considerably for a man in his position. He is interested, naturally, in blind schools and deaf and dumb institutions, and it was on this account that he has visited Lynn. The little class room at the library is one of the few of its kind in this country. At his Mount Vernon place, he is making his home with his sister, Mrs. Minnie Louis Salinger, a noted women's club lecturer.

Mr. Koffman's sense of touch is so acute, many of his performances seem wonderful. If he has ever shaken hands with a person and is informed of his name he seldom forgets him. This was demonstrated in the library Monday afternoon, when a blind girl who had met him last year came into the room. When Mr. Koffman was introduced to her and took her hand, it took him but a minute to tell her name and his face beamed with as much joy as though he could see her.

Another blind girl he knew brought a necklace which he remembered having touched and examined last year while here. He rarely fails to identify a person whom he has met, and their names are usually at his tongue's end. He can tell what you mean to convey if you write in the palm of his hand, on his forehead or even on his back. By taking his hand and tracing letters in the air he can also understand.

In his workshop at his home in Mount Vernon he has a chest of tools and some of the work he does is surprising. He makes bird houses, baskets of reeds, from the size of a work basket to a clothes basket, and at the present time he is learning to weave. He has a carpet underway.

A peculiar circumstance in the Koffman family is that besides Samuel there are two other brothers who are deaf, dumb and blind. The brothers are not as intelligent as Samuel, but they seem to enjoy life and seldom regret their unfortunate condition.

Mr. Koffman has an exceedingly cheery disposition. He laughs and jokes continually, and the point of a joke is seldom lost to him. He keeps thoroughly up to date on all the subjects. On his present trip he has stopped at Hartford, Pittsfield and Springfield. He will leave Lynn Wednesday for his home in New York. There are plenty of normal men who do not begin to get the enjoyment out of life that Mr. Koffman seems to have for his share.

### Services for Deaf-Mutes at St. Alban's Mission, Indianapolis.

On the Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 25, at 11 A.M. and 3 P.M., services were held at St. Alban's Deaf-Mute Mission, Christ Church, Indianapolis. At 8 P.M., a combined service was held at Grace Church, Muncie, sixty miles distant east. Thirty silent folk worshipped with the hearing, the sign interpretation of the Rev. Austin W. Mann making the participation possible. The Hon. Mr. Olcott, the senior warden, read Evening Prayer, and a sermon for the hearing. Eight of the silent worshippers came from Anderson, a distance of twenty miles. Two came from New Castle, the same distance south. At midnight, Mr. Mann took the train for the return journey to headquarters at Cleveland. It was probably the 2,000th full night he has spent on a car seat in his thirty-six years of strenuous missionary labor in the dioceses of the great Middle West. In all that time he must have travelled 1,000,000 miles.—The Churchman, August 7, 1909.

### Services in the Dioceses of Albany and Central New York.

First Sunday in the month: Morning, Troy; afternoon, Albany evening, Amsterdam.  
Second Sunday: Morning, Syracuse; afternoon, Oneida; evening, Utica.  
Third Sunday: Morning, Troy; afternoon, Schenectady; evening, Herkimer.  
Fourth Sunday: Morning, Utica; afternoon, Rome; evening, Syracuse.

The above is the ordinary arrangement of services. Departures from this arrangement and appointments for week-day services will be announced by postal card.

H. VAN ALLEN, Missionary,  
232 Grove Place, Utica, N. Y.

### Evangelical Alliance Services for the Deaf.

(Interdenominational.)  
BOSTON.

Services every Sunday, at 10:45 A.M., First United Presbyterian Church, Cor. W. Brookline St. and Warren Ave., Boston. (Roxbury Crossing, or Columbus Ave. cars from Subway, or Dudley St. Elevated, to Brookline St.)

SALFEM.  
Services at Central Baptist Church, Salem, Mass., Second, Third and Fourth Sundays, each month, excepting July and August. 2:15 P.M.

NEW ENGLAND CITIES.  
Services in Worcester, Nashua, Providence and other New England cities, by appointment.

E. CLAYTON WYAND,  
Evangelical Alliance Minister in Charge.

Residence: Mattapan Sta., Boston.  
To these services all are welcome.

## CONNECTICUT.

There has been no dearth of picnics for the deaf this year. Since the Saturday half holiday was ushered in by warm weather, the week end has generally found the deaf congregated in one of the more or less pretentious parks around Greater New York, all bent on a good time and having one too. The recent success of the League of Elect Surds at Ulmer Park shows what can be done by an efficient committee, and a well arranged program of athletic events, with prizes just a little bit better than the ordinary as a stimulus to competition. Incidentally, it showed that the old boys, who love their Havanas and nectar of Gambrianus occasionally, aren't in it with the teetotalers among the young ones, when it comes to sprinting; still the old ones can give them cards and spades when it comes to baseball, though they do puff and wheeze a little when they reach the home plate.

There was an old-fashioned picnic held in Greenwich, Ct., Saturday, August 14th, on the spacious grounds of the homestead of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Martling, and it furnished a few things that were lacking at the big gatherings in New York.

It did not have the full seven hundred found at the L. E. S. outing, and a poultry yard in one corner, a vegetable patch in another, and half a dozen apple trees scattered about precluded the possibility of a baseball game. Besides there were two long tables set out under the trees, so space was somewhat limited. Still, Mr. Gordon Marshall as master of ceremonies managed to pull off several events that provoked plenty of hilarity. Even the staid old fogies joined in with the young ones. Mr. Moses Heyman almost won the sack race, but Mr. Frellick upset him, and then sat on him and damaged two near-Havana cigars, while Hiram Black hopped to the tape, dived through and buried his nose in the dust. Gordon Marshall put the shot three inches beyond his nearest competitor, Fred Herring, while among the girls, Jennie Chinery won the sack; Lillian Johnson, the 100 yards dash; and little Mildred Seaman, the potato race. Emily and Carrie Lipke also won prizes for the fifty yards dash and the hopping race. By the time the games were over, lunch was ready on the tables, and the crowd made short work of the salad, sandwiches, fruit, nuts and candy, washed down with liberal glasses of lemonade and raspberry wine. Mrs. Martling, Miss Edith Marshall and Lillian Johnson and Hiram Black were kept busy waiting on the guests. Mr. Wilbur Bowers took several pictures with his camera.

After dark the grounds were lighted by a hundred Japanese lanterns. There were games in the parlor and dancing in the spacious dining room and kitchen. Along of half past nine, Hiram Black lighted the departing guests down the dusty Old Post Road and saw them safe aboard a trolley car homeward bound. Here is a list of those who shared in the good time:—

The host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Martling, Hiram Black, Minnie Fogg, of Greenwich, Ct.; Mr. and Mrs. Seaman and daughters Jennie and Mildred, Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Beers, of Bridgeport, Ct.; Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Marshall, Miss Edith Marshall, Gordon Marshall, of East Portchester, N. Y.; Emily and Carrie Lipke, Mr. and Mrs. Odell, of Portchester, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Frellick and Lillian Johnson, of Stamford, Ct.; Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Royden, and daughter, Sadie, of Milford, Ct.; Miss Jennie McAuliffe, of Mystic, Ct.; Mrs. Harriet Wheeler, of New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Clara Roberts, of Carlstadt, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herring and their son, of Newark, N. J.; Miss Susie E. McKinney, of Mt. Airy Pa.; and Mr. and Mrs. Moses Heyman, Miss Augusta Berley, Mrs. Pauline Lesser, Wilbur L. Bowers, J. Elliott Taplin, and Rev. John H. Keiser, of New York City.

Mrs. Frederick Herting has been the guest of the Martlings for the

past four weeks. Her two-year-old son is with her, and both are having a very enjoyable time.

Quite a large delegation from New England will be present at the Outing of the Brooklyn Division, N. F. S. D., at Washington Park, Saturday, August 28th.

## BALTIMORE.

The annual picnic and excursion of the Maryland Association of the Deaf took place at Druid Hill Park, Wednesday, and Thursday, August 4th and 5th. The attendance was much larger than last year, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Many outsiders were noticed at the gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harrison, Mr. Courtney, Mrs. Elliot and Miss Shipley came all the way from Washington to attend. There were also Miss Clara De Grange, of Frederick, Mr. and Mrs. Putt from Steelton, Pa., Harry O. Palmer and Jonathan Plowman from Harford County, and many others.

A local paper prints the following about the annual picnic of the Maryland Association, at Druid Hill Park, August 4th and 5th:—

### JOLLY DAY FOR DEAF-MUTES.

"The annual picnic of the deaf-mutes of Maryland was held at No. 8 Grove, Druid Hill Park, yesterday afternoon. About one hundred and fifty deaf-mutes were present, some of them with their wives and children, the entire party numbering between two and three hundred persons. The committee of arrangements consisted of Rev. J. A. Branflick, chairman, with Rev. D. E. Moylan, J. A. Gallion, H. G. Benson and Misses F. Alban and M. Steigler members.

"The picnic was under the auspices of the Maryland Society for Deaf-Mutes, which is entirely non-denominational. It has several missions connected with different churches. Yesterday there were present Rev. O. J. Whildin, in charge of the Protestant Episcopal Mission; D. E. Moylan and J. A. Branflick, of the Methodist Church Mission, and Rev. Father Partell, of the Catholic Loyola Mission; Sister Stephen Harding and Sister Wenceslaus, mission helpers of the Sacred Heart, Biddle and McCulloh Streets Station, were also present. Many of those present came from Frederick City and Washington, D. C., and others from Harford, Baltimore and Washington counties of Maryland.

"In the ladies' contests, first prize for 50-yards dash, a fine umbrella, was won by Miss Madeline Stevens; second prize, a brooch, by Miss Clara De Grange. First prize in ball throwing, pair of scissors, was awarded to Miss Maggie Cooper; second prize, fan, to Miss Elsie Murray. In the potato race, first prize, a drinking cup, went to Mrs. H. Leitner; second, to Miss C. De Grange. In the hopping race, first prize, silver spoon, went to Miss Stevens. The country ladies won in the tug-of-war and were given a basket of peaches."

Most of those in attendance yesterday went to River View last evening. They will go to Tochester today.

The Western Maryland Association for the Deaf will have its next annual outing at Braddock Heights, near Frederick, Md., next Saturday, August 14th. Several from this city expect to attend, including Rev. D. E. Moylan and J. A. Branflick.

W. W. Duvall, Jr., is home again after spending one week at Atlantic City, and one week on the farm of Mr. Frederick Tachiffely, near Washington, D. C. He called to see ye scribe, and looked the picture of health. He informed us that Mr. Tachiffely has just bought a new automobile, and that he will use it on his trip to the meeting at Braddock Heights next week, a distance of thirty miles from his home.

### CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

NEW YORK DISTRICT NOTICES.

St. Ann's Church, N. Y. Every Sunday at 3 P.M.  
August 1st, Holy Communion.

Services at other places discontinued during August.



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"He's true to God who's true to man:  
Wherever wrong is done  
To the humblest and the weakest  
Neath the all-beholding sun,  
That wrong is also done to us,  
And they are slaves most base,  
Whose love of right is for themselves,  
And not for all the race."

Notices concerning the whereabouts of individuals will be charged for at the rate of ten cents a line.

Specimen copies sent to any address on receipt of five cents.

We regret to learn that the *Deaf American* suspended publication on August 12th. Russell Smith made a brave fight for ten years, and deserves great credit for the self-sacrifice and persistence which he displayed in order to keep alive his publication. Lack of support made the suspension necessary. And he alleges that some of his agents embezzled the money that should have come to him. This is very deplorable. But, as all who have tried to run a newspaper for the deaf well know, the apathy of the class of people whose welfare is sought and whose interests are championed, make it almost impossible to pay the expense entailed in getting out the paper.

There are too many who see in a newspaper nothing but local gossip; there are too many who fail to appreciate any work that does not have a special bearing upon their individual interests; there are too many who expect prompt service without reciprocating promptly with the cash for subscription; there are too many who think that when they pay their subscription they are doing the editor a favor, and who seem to ignore the fact that for the small amount they pay they get more than an equivalent in reading matter and in general enlightenment upon live topics of interest; in short, the deaf public—a majority of its members—are lax in their support and sordid in their interests.

The newspaper for the deaf has all of the disadvantages of the country newspaper, with none of its advantages. First of these disadvantages is that a paper published in a small town has the nearly unanimous town and county support. It also has the advertisements of about all of the establishments doing business in the town and vicinity, as well as the legal notices which the law demands to be published.

The newspaper for the deaf gets few paying advertisements. It may publish column upon column of notices upon charitable and religious affairs, give space to death and marriage notices, print eulogistic obituaries, record baptisms, and praise all deaf-mute enterprise, without receiving even a "Thank you!"

Under these circumstances, it is inexplicable that so few of our educated deaf are public-spirited enough to send in news items and use their influence in extending its circulation without the *quid pro quo*.

The demise of the *Deaf American* is a distinct loss to the deaf, for through the influence of articles which have appeared in its columns many benefits have certainly reverted to them, not the least of which has been its decided help towards the modification of the Civil Service Rules in their favor.

It is only through the newspapers that public opinion can be educated and influenced, and although the newspapers for the general public should be read by the deaf as they are by the hearing, still the same reasons which demand and secure special institutions for their education, also demand special newspapers for their general welfare and advancement.

## THE DEAF AND THE CIVIL SERVICE.

## Positions to which they are Eligible.

I have just returned from a week's sojourn at Chautauqua, N. Y., and I had as my room-mate there a division chief of the Department of Agriculture. I spoke to him about the Deaf and the Civil Service and he said he had a position in his service, that of copyist paying fifty dollars a month, which a deaf person could fill as well as a hearing person. I urged him to submit the position to the Civil Service Commission as he appointed his assistants, and he seemed very favorably disposed to accede to my request.

Upon my return home I was overjoyed to find a letter from the Federal Civil Service Commission giving the list of positions submitted by the heads of the several departments and independent offices at Washington for which the deaf will be allowed to compete. It is of tremendous significance and extremely gratifying to all those who have been agitating this subject, to find that no fewer than eighty-four positions in the Government service are specifically mentioned, the duties of which the deaf are considered capable of performing. This is only the opening wedge, and think what it means when every department, with the solitary exception of the Department of State (which paradoxically enough is headed at the present time by hard-of-hearing Assistant Secretary Adee), finds one or more positions for which, theoretically and actually, the deaf are eligible. As the deaf qualify and are appointed to positions, there is no doubt that with practical experience with the deaf as workers, the number of eligible positions will increase markedly. For instance, the position of which my Government friend spoke, is not included among the eligibles and he is entirely willing to submit it, and will doubtless do so when this circular is called to his attention. It will be noted that the Treasury Department and the Department of the Interior lead in furnishing opportunities to the deaf, forty-eight positions or four-sevenths of the total number coming from them. Mr. McNeigh, of Illinois, is Secretary of the Treasury, and Richard H. Ballinger, of Ohio, is Secretary of the Interior, which submitted the largest number of positions. The printing office positions will throw open a large number of opportunities to the deaf.

The State, County and Municipal Civil Service Commissions all base their qualifications upon Government requirements, and now this magnificent victory should be followed up all along the line. The New York State Civil Service Commission bars the deaf from taking the examinations. Now is the time for a movement upon the State Civil Service Commission for a modification of their order, having the precedent of the action of the United States Civil Service Commission as a backing. The position of proof-reader, for instance, is one for which a good many deaf are peculiarly fitted and I do not understand how it comes to be omitted in the Government Printing Office eligible openings for the deaf. It is well-paid, from \$900 to \$1500 per annum in New York State, and yet a few days ago, in Utica, only two candidates appeared to take the examination, while thirty-two appeared to take the test for roadman and a hundred for railway mail clerk. I agree with Mr. Veditz that it is better, if possible, for the deaf to hold Civil Service positions paying from \$800 up scattered all over the country, than to have them concentrated in Washington. Their influence upon the community at large will be more effective and more widely disseminated.

The circular of the United States Civil Service Commission of July, 1909, in regard to the deaf, is more than a milestone—it marks a goal-post in the efforts of the deaf and their friends to secure fair recognition. It is a head-liner in the way of achievement and the deaf are again to be heartily congratulated. In the language of the day, it is now up to the deaf to take advantage of these opportunities, and by efficient service rendered after appointment create new available positions for the deaf of the nation.

Herewith are published the list of positions available for deaf-mutes:

## CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE—None.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT—Accountant, book-keeper, bookbinder, clerk, computer,

compositor, chemist, draftsman, designer, expert money counter, law clerk, locksmith, money counter, paper counter, translator, engraver, clerk or copyist in customs service, clerk or copyist in treasury service, clerk or copyist in mint service.

WAR DEPARTMENT—Copyist (typewriter) Judge Advocate General's Office, copyist in Engineer Department-at-Large, operator of certain automatic machines in the Ordnance Department-at-Large.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE—Typewriter.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—(Department states that in making request for certification it will indicate whether or not deaf-mutes can satisfactorily fill the position.)

Office First Assistant: Clerical places not requiring consultation with others—mail clerks, distributory and forwarding clerks.

Second Assistant: None.

Third Assistant: Record clerical positions not requiring frequent or constant communication with others.

Fourth Assistant: Positions other than stenographer and typewriter, telephone operator, rural carrier, or where the person would be required to maintain oral communication with others.

NAVY DEPARTMENT—Bureau of Supplies and Accounts: Laborer (cleaning office rooms), possibly clerical positions involving routine book-keeping, filing papers, etc.

Bath Iron Works: Draftsman of lower grade.

Bureau of Navigation: Copyist at \$840, sending out recruiting circulars and publications.

Washington Gun Factory: None, except possibly draftsman.

Proving Ground, Indian Head, Md.: Laboratorian.

Mare Island Navy Yard: Special laborer or clerk, \$2.55. Department of Yards and Docks, checking figures and filing costs from data furnished.

New York Navy Yard: One clerical position.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR—Law examiner, assistant examiner in the Patent Office, statistician, book-keeper, computer, clerk, copyist, typewriter, engraver, draftsman, map painter's assistant, assistant photographer, mechanic, cabinet-maker, carpenter, painter, plumber, packer, skilled laborer, laborer, charwoman, geologist, paleontologist, chemist geographer and topographer.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—Five positions in the Bureau of Statistics; computing, computing, and tabulating statistical data, lower grade clerk, Weather Bureau.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR—Any clerical position not involving special qualifications up to and including the grade of \$900 per annum; charwoman, draftsman, engraver and computer in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE—Skilled laborer, press feeder, bookbinder, electrotypist, compositor and stereotypist.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION—One clerkship International Exchanges involving continuous record work; one position of computer, Astrophysical Observatory.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION—None.

ISTHMIAN CANAL COMMISSION—None.

My attention has been called to an editorial in last week's JOURNAL commenting upon my connection with the "American Civil Service Institute" of Washington, D. C. The statements made in the dispatch are true in the main. Upon being shown a sworn statement as to the financial standing of the company, I accepted a position and qualified by the purchase of stock and was preparing to open an office in Albany, August 1st, when the news came of the arrest of the leading officials of the company in Washington. The case has not yet been tried and the officers are out on bail. Needless to say, I am very glad that I had not become actively identified with the company to the extent of doing any business. The amount invested was not as large as indicated, and whether the investment is a total loss or not remains to be determined.

Yours for further progress,

EDWARD PERKINS CLARKE.

MYSTIC, CT., Aug. 16, 1909.

## THE NEWSPAPER GUY

I saw a man pushing his way, through the lines  
Of the cops where the work of the "fire  
'The chief?" I inquired, but a fireman replied:  
"Oh, no! why, that's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man walk through the door of a show,  
Where great throngs are blocked by the sign "Is R. O."  
"Is this the star that no ticket he buys?"  
"Star nuthin'!" He's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man start on the trail of a crook,  
And he scorns the police, but he brings him to book.  
"Sherlock Holmes?" I inquired; some one scornful cries:  
"Sherlock Holmes! Naw, he's one of those newspaper guys."

And some day I'll pass by the great "Gates of Gold,"  
And see a man pass through unquestioned and bold,  
"A saint?" I will ask, and St. Peter'll reply:  
"No, he carries a pass—he's a newspaper guy."

The United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing has a payroll of 2,400 persons. Of this number 1,400 are women.

It is said that the use of an oil or gas engine on the farm results in a saving of from 20 to 50 per cent, as compared with horse.

The mutton market of London declines, while the shipments of mutton received at that point from Australia are constantly increasing.

## ST. LOUIS.

J. H. May, 5851 Von Versen Avenue  
St. Louis, Mo.

Wm. Hicks, of Jacksonville, Ill., landed in the city last week and spent several days with friends. He departed on the steamer up the river to Beardstown, when he took the train for Springfield, Ill.

J. R. Applegate, of Sikeston, Mo., is a recent arrival stopping here for a brief sojourn. He is en route for Colorado, where he goes for the benefit of his health.

## SURPRISE RECEPTION TO MRS. CLARK.

Sunday P.M., August 8th, a surprise reception was tendered to Mrs. Etta M. Clark, at her home in Carondelet. She had recently arrived home from a delightful visit to relatives in Iowa. The party was ably managed by Mr. Theurer and assisted by several other ladies. Mrs. Clark acknowledged that she was really surprised and that she appreciated the honor. The proceeds from the sale of ice-cream was devoted to swell the fund of the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Lohmann, Mr. and Mrs. W. Theurer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gibbons, Mr. and Mrs. R. Schneider, Mrs. M. Fischer, Mrs. A. Eubanks, Misses A. Kruger, C. Mahon, A. Molloy, E. Dillon, M. Peters, L. McCormack, I. Myers, A. Bussen, A. Zister, A. McCamley, M. McCamley, Messrs. Hunter, Cupps, Dolan, Hensley, McCamley, Wolff, Schutts, Applegate, Martin, May, Miss Frieda Theurer, Francis Sheurer, Raymond Theurer, Master Fischer.

Aug. Schutts and his two sisters are planning to visit their parents in the near future. The trip will be made by rail to a large farm in Arizona, where their parents reside. Sam. Perlmuter, of Chicago, Ill., arrived in the city again last week. Accompanied by his wife, he was called here by the death of his father.

Walter Grady, of Alton, Ill., writes that he is mourning for the death of his beloved mother, who died near Bunker Hill during the early part of this month.

Ye scribe visited Mr. and Mrs. Palecek, of this city, who are the latest mutes to become property-owners. They recently purchased a newly-built brick house of one story and basement. It contains five rooms with bath room and hall. The edifice is well constructed and thoroughly up-to-date. The couple are well settled down in their new home for which they are to pay three thousand dollars.

Frank L. Tice, of Algire, Mo., called to see ye scribe Thursday night. He is en route to his farm in Franklin County, Mo., where he has determined to settle permanently. He has a house and lot in Fort Worth, Texas, which he wants to sell. Times were so dull there with him, so he came back to Good Old Missouri.

Edward Cady, of Claryville, Mo., arrived here Saturday morning, from the farm. He is here to spend his vacation for one week.

Rev. Schubkegel will preach for the deaf at Zion Lutheran Church, 21st Street and Benton Street, at 3 afternoon on Sunday, August 22d. Services will be conducted in the large auditorium and not in the basement.

Last Sunday afternoon, August 8th, a pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Sutton. It was in honor of his natal day. He received a lot of useful gifts and every one had a royal time.

Miss Doria Grimmer, of Fulton, Mo., was in the city, recently being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Garth, where she was entertained by a party of lady friends.

A local writer in the *Silent Success* in reporting about the slim attendance at Rev. Schubkegel's services on Sunday, 8th inst., says, "The hot weather has kept many away."

Well how is it that the "hot weather" did not prevent a houseful of the deaf from going to two surprise parties that same afternoon? It is a ridiculous excuse for any one, who is a devout and zealous churchgoer to say such things about the weather in this case. A certain deaf lady, who has been a member of the Lutheran Church for years, neglected to be at services, but she did not fail to be at one of the surprise parties.

Is that doing the fair and square thing?

Each farm in the United States, according to the Government census, averages \$10 for commercial fertilizers.

There are 300,000 bookkeepers in the United States and the annual production of honey has a value of \$15,000,000.

The United States Government expends nearly a quarter of a million dollars to gather the crop reports of the country.

New York City has 5000 pushcart merchants. In some instances the value of their stock on one cart amounts to \$150.

## PARKERSBURGH, W. VA.

Miss Cora Uhl visited relatives and friends in Williamstown some weeks ago.

Mr. Cary Twyford was last seen at St. Marys by the writer some weeks ago. It is no wonder that there is some attraction there. He was in Parkersburgh some Sundays ago visiting his old friends, but returned to his work at Spencer the evening of the same day.

Miss Grace Showalter, of West Union, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. A. Correll for the past few days, returned to her home to day. She had the pleasure of meeting her old friends, and renewing old acquaintances, too.

Messrs. Cecil B. Marple and Nevil Marshall, of this city, spent a part of two Sundays ago in Huntington, having taken advantage of the midsummer excursion which runs every two weeks from here to that place. They reported fine a time, and brought back with them enough news to fill a column in the JOURNAL.

The writer has just been informed that Willie Kincaid, a pupil of the Romney School, who has been working somewhere near Pineville, W. Va., since school closed, had a narrow escape from serious injury, or probably the loss of his life, some time ago, but fortunately he received a slight but painful injury to his foot. As far as the writer could learn the particulars of this accident, it is as follows: Willie Kincaid, after retiring to his room at a hotel, it caught fire and burned so rapidly that the clerk had no time to arouse the occupants, but they got out in safety when the alarm was given. Willie being a mute, it is a wonder that he awoke up before the flames enveloped him. When he realized that he was in immense danger of losing his life and finding no way to escape, save the open window, and seeing that the roaring flames were almost on him, he jumped out of the window, and as a result he received a painful injury, thus cutting his foot open. He was taken to the home of Edgar Sparks where he was properly taken care of, and the wound dressed, after which he was taken to his home near Hinton, W. Va. We are glad that he did not lose his life or receive further injuries, all of which is due to his presence of mind.

Mr. Chas. B. Deem, was in Athens, O., a few days ago on business, he having just returned from Pittsburg, where he failed to find work, and is now at his old homestead for a short sojourn.

There was a party some time ago over in Bridgeport, O., just opposite Wheeling, where Miss Ida Millard entertained many of her friends at her home, in honor of Miss Iva Tompkins, of Columbus. Those in attendance from W. Va. were: Mr. and Mrs. Bremer, Mr. and Mrs. Weimer, Messrs. Jenson Anderson and Ryn, Messrs. Haplin, Hallem, Alexander and Seamon, all of Wheeling, including others from Ohio, the writer being unable to learn their names.

Some weeks ago, Miss Cora Uhl was tendered a surprise party in her honor, by Mrs. Lewis Sweeney at her home on Lyon Street. Among the other guests who were invited were Messrs. Cecil Marple and Chas. B. Deem. A very enjoyable evening was spent in talking and telling jokes, after which a repast, consisting of ice-cream, candy, cakes, sandwiches and lemonade, was served.

One of the most pleasant evenings that has ever been spent in this city since the writer began sending news for the JOURNAL, was that of the 13th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schauwecker on Latrobe Street, the latter a cousin of Miss Cora Uhl and with whom she has been making her home. The jolly party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Correll, Misses Uhl and Grace Showalter, of West Union, Messrs. Cecil Marple and Chas. Deem. The party did not expect that all would come on that one pleasant occasion, and it was indeed a surprise to all, especially to Miss Uhl, and the affair proved to be an enjoyable one. Chatting and joking were in evidence from start to finish, not a dull moment being spared. While the party was in progress, Mrs. Schauwecker slipped out, and ere long she returned, asking every one to come to the dining room. Of course the party did not expect what she was preparing during her absence, and was surprised when they were treated to a melon and other delicious dainties. The party broke up soon after the repast at a late hour, and after thanking Mr. and Mrs. Schauwecker for their hospitality, departed for their homes, carrying with them a refreshing memory of that pleasant occasion.

Mr. Nevil Marshall, of Vienna, is making arrangements for an extensive trip to Pittsburg this Fall. We all wish a pleasant and enjoyable trip.

Those who wish to send in news for the JOURNAL or have some of interest to the readers, are urged to send them to "A Mute," 930 Lynn Street, and he will see that they are sent to the paper. The writer wishes to see every mute of W. Va. subscribe for the JOURNAL, so they can get in touch with their

friends and all the news relating to them. And besides this would greatly help the paper. The writer intends to continue in sending news that he can possibly get throughout West Virginia.

A W. VA. READER.

## LAUGHTER AND ITS USES.

What an index to character is a man's laugh!

What sinner clew can we have to both his intellect and his temper, unless it be that he seldom or never laughs. "Nothing," says Goethe, "is more significant of men's character than what they find laughable." "You know no man," says Tieck, "till you have heard him laugh—till you know when and how he will laugh." "The perception of the ludicrous," says Emerson, "is a pledge of sanity. A rogue alive to the ludicrous is still convertible. If that sense is lost, his fellowmen can do little for him." Lavater, the great physiognomist, lays his great stress on the very unequivocal and derivative nature of a laugh as an index of character. If it be free and hearty, and occasion a general and light movement in all the features, and dimple the cheek and chin; it is an almost infallible evidence of the absence of any great material wickedness of disposition." Caesar mistrusted Cassius because that lean conspirator rarely, if ever, indulged in laughter. When Horace Walpole was in Paris, in 1765, he found that laughing was out of fashion in that gay capital. "Good folks," he writes, "they have no time to laugh. There are God and the king to be pulled down first; and men and women, one and all, are devoutly employed in the demolition."

How often a man fails to betray the tiger that lurks within him until he laughs! Is there nothing significant in the fact recorded by Plutarch, of Cato the younger, that nothing could make him laugh, that his countenance was scarcely softened, even by a smile? Is it not a characteristic trait of the gloomy tyrant, Phillip II, of Spain, that he rarely smiled, and that he laughed but once in his entire life, and that when he heard of the massacre on St. Bartholomew's Day? If it not a suggestive fact regarding the gloomy, taciturn Wallenstein, the terror of the people—at the sight of whom, as he paced through his camp, with his lofty figure enveloped in a scarlet mantle, and with a red feather in his cap, a strange horror took possession of the soldiers—that he was never seen to smile?

Can we wonder that the poor little dwarf, Alexander Pope—the cynical satirist, afflicted with asthma and dropsy, tortured with rheumatism, racked with headaches and threatened with cataract—should never have laughed, but only smiled? It has been said of the greatest of English dramatist, who united with his intense humor an equally intense piercing insight into the darkest and most fearful depths of human nature, that no heart would have been strong enough to hold the woe of Lear and Othello, except that which had the unquenchable elasticity of Falstaff and the "Midsummer Night's Dream."

Might not a similar remark be made of that "pendulum betwixt a smile and a tear," Abraham Lincoln, in whom sadness and a keen sense of the comic were so strikingly combined? How exuberant was his mirth, sparkling in jest, comic story and anecdote; and yet how often, the very next moment, those sad, pathetic, melancholy eyes showed a man familiar with "sorrows, and acquainted with grief!" Doubtless his experiences of life were such as to make him feel with Bunyan:

Some things are of that nature at so make.  
One's fancy chuckle, while his heart doth ache.

Who can doubt that but for the merriment in which he indulged—the contagious laughter which welled up from his soul as naturally as do bubbles in the springs of Saratoga—he would have sunk under his weary weight of care long before he fell by the pistol of Booth?

It is, indeed, statesmen, students and thinkers generally, who most need the relaxation afforded by occasional merriment. Some centuries ago it was the fashion in Europe for men of rank to keep a buffoon, and a banquet was considered incomplete where a privileged jester was not an attendant. This was, perhaps, for those days, a wise custom. It is surprising how much a few minutes' sleep will refresh the body and a few minutes' laughter the mind; and many a useful life might be prolonged by the substitution of these remedies for "carking cake" and weariness, in place of the usual treacherous tonics and stimulants.

What a dismal deduction would be made from the happiness of our homes, if they were robbed of their merriment! What picture of innocent mirth has Goldsmith given in the "Vicar of Wakefield," and how artless the remark of the good Dr. Primrose: "If we had little wit, we had plenty of laughter?" Went power for good and evil is the world's "dread laugh," which scarce the firm philosopher can

scorn!" How many men have been cowed by it, who could have faced without flinching a battery's deadly fire! How many bad customs and wicked practices, how many quixotic schemes of philanthropy or reform, how many absurd doctrines in politics, theology and sociology, which have defied the artillery of argument, have been "laughed off the public stage," never to return! Did not Cervantes "smile Spain's chivalry away?" How vain were all the reasonings against the casuistry of the Jesuits, according to whose moral code judges might take bribes, bankrupts defraud their creditors, valets perpetrate any villainies for their masters, poltroons shoot their enemies from behind a hedge, on the strength of a nice distinction, between act and intention, by which every crime in the world might be excused, till Pascal, with the exquisite and inimitable irony of his "Provincial Letters," provoked in extinguishable laughter at these equivocations and sophistries!

It is a curious fact that the effect produced on the mind by subtle reasoning which lays bare a fallacy or absurdity, is akin to that produced by some witticisms, and that there are persons whose delight in such reasoning always manifests itself in laughter. George Eliot observes that some of Johnson's finest witticisms consist in the suggestion of an analogy that immediately exposes the absurdity of an action or a proposition; and it is only their ingenuity, condensation and instantaneousness which lift them from reasoning into wit; they are reasoning raised to a higher power.

Pascal had in a remarkable degree, what Sainte-Beuve calls the gift "joining reason and laughter," and he who can restrain his risibles while reading the exquisite irony with which that writer reveals and refutes the fallacies of the Jesuits, must be either a dunce or a beatified intelligence.—*Forward.*

## SHAMOKIN, PA.

Our annual picnic on August 7th, was pretty well attended despite the fact that, on the one hand some were prevented from coming by the hard times, and on the other some who could not be spared by their employers. Upwards of sixty were present, while the attendance usually reaches eighty-five. But the absence of some did not deter the rest from having a good day.

Those who saw Edgewood Park for the first time all declared that it exceeded their highest expectations. While not large, embracing only eighty acres, its gently sloping hills, fine old trees and growing young ones, with winding paths in all directions, its lakes, deer park and mountain springs, combine to make it an ideal place for a stroll, while the opportunities for amusement otherwise are numerous. The lovers of baseball have a fine field in which to enjoy the game, those who prefer dancing, a floor that is second to none, a trip through the "School of Mines" on a swiftly-moving car is quite thrilling and a scenic railway rising eighty-five feet commands a fine view. Eating booths in case of rain are provided and free ice is supplied for the asking, to those who take luncheon along, while those who prefer to buy can secure almost any thing from a cheap lunch up to a first-class hotel meal.

Among those coming from a distance was Harvey Rozar, of Altoona, who said he was well repaid for his long trip.

Miss Capitola Biery from Mertz-town was very enthusiastic over the beauty of the park, and the treatment accorded her by the deaf of Shamokin.

John Botzsum, of Reading, stayed only a couple of hours, his business at home obliging him to curtail his stay.

Miss Schoenberger, of Ashland, who chaperoned Miss Biery, was present, and her sunny disposition contributed much to the enjoyment of the others.

Mrs. Katie Myers, of Lancaster, with her two daughters, who have been visiting the former's parents, took in the picnic and departed for home last Saturday.

The upper end of the county, as usual, sent a good quota, including Mr. Chas. Longenberger, Mr. Gas. Fahnstock and families, Miss Nora Sullivan, of Williamsport, William Hummel, John Hine, Miss Mary Miller and Henry Heiser, of Lewisburg.

The Chairman neglected to appoint a regular committee and make provision for photographing the group, so the visitors were not enabled to take along home with them the usual snapshot.

S. S. H.  
SHAMOKIN, PA., August 16, 1909.

## Recklessness.

Busy bee is 'round agin,  
Buzzin' 'thoo de clover;  
Never sayin' 'how he's been,  
'Till de cold blow over.  
Don't you come a-tellin' me  
Nuffin' 'bout dat busy bee.

Guess my grief would disappear  
'Seld o' growin' glummer,  
If I slept half 'thoo de year,  
An' only worked in summer.  
Don't you come a-shamin' me  
Talkin' 'bout dat busy bee!

If I totes a razzor 'round,  
Folks jes' raise the nation;  
Yet dat nation is found  
Stingin' all creation.  
Don't you come a-shamin' me  
Nuffin' 'bout dat busy bee!

—Washington Star.



## NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, 35 West 15th St., New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do our best.

Bright skies and balmy weather helped to make the Xavier Ephpheta Society's celebration on August 15th, in honor of Ephpheta Sunday, a really joyful day. With true Catholic spirit the day was begun with Mass at nine o'clock, in the Sodality Chapel of St. Francis Xavier's, and concluded with Benediction in the pretty little place of worship so well known to the past and present pupils of St. Joseph's Institute, Fordham Heights.

Attended by a cute little altar boy, Father McCarthy began the morning offering a few minutes past the ninth hour, with an attendance of one hundred present. Representing all New York and its suburbs, they gave an object lesson by their presence that was both noteworthy and commendable. And all that assisted at the offering in honor of the Feast of the day, which was that of the Assumption, partook of Communion.

Concluding the reading of the last Gospel, the good priest faced the silent congregation, picturing in graphic signs and in well chosen words the story so often told and that was then being told in every Catholic Church the world over—Our Lord's love for the deaf-mute.

Father McCarthy said in part: "Now I have read the gospel story of our Lord and the deaf-mute. And what I have read every priest has read who offered Holy Mass today, from Alaska to Africa and round the world. It came to pass on the shores of Galilee. A crowd of people surrounded our Lord, happy to be with Him, happy to hear His preaching, happy to see His wondrous works. Amidst the multitude was one who was deaf and dumb and who stared with dazed eyes at the stirring scenes around him. There are some characters who can never be wholly happy unless they share their happiness with others. There were people of this kind among the crowd and reflecting on what they enjoyed and the deaf-mute lost, they looked on him with compassion, and said one to another, 'Let us take him before the Master.' And leading him to our Lord they begged that He would lay His hand on him, trusting in the merciful power they had witnessed. At once our Savior looked on the afflicted man with tender heart, and separating him from the others where all could see, addressed him with natural signs easily to be understood. He took his face between His hands and pressed His fingers in his ears and touched his tongue, and looking up to heaven groaned in pity over the sufferer and uttered the blessed word, 'Ephpheta, Be Opened.' And in the instant the deaf-mute heard and spoke rightly. It was the work of a few moments, but reflect on the far-reaching significance of it all. What our Lord and Savior said and did was for yesterday, today and forever. What he did for that deaf-mute was a lesson and an example to the people; not for the few thousands that surrounded him, but for all people on earth to the end of time, that the deaf-mute is an object of love to God and a care to humanity. Christ our Lord gave to His apostles and priests the power to cleanse souls from sin and to feed them with divine food; to few He gave the power to work miracles in the order of nature, but to all He gave the power of opening the ears and loosening the tongues of those who wander in silence, and every one who leads a soul to grace, by that deed opens his ears to hear the word of God and loosens his tongue to tell His praises. The benefit for the body ends with time, but the blessing to the soul lasts forever and ever."

Following Mass happy smiles were evident on all sides, as the worshippers repaired to the College Armory, where, surrounded by rifles and other accoutrements of the famed Xavier Cadets, breakfast was served.

Through the stillness of West Fifteenth and across Union Square Park to the Eighteenth Street Third Avenue "L" station, a Bronx train was boarded and a happy, laughing, jovial, but still quiet party of deaf-mutes were en route for the historic old mansion of St. Joseph's, Fordham, which was reached before the noon sun had attained its regular trysting place in the blue sky above.

A hearty greeting from the ladies in charge put all in the best of spirits, and soon the athletic prowess of the Xavier contingent began to assert itself. A capital list of games, in which the fair sex were as much considered as the sterner element, helped to incite some lively and amusing competition. As a head over heels locomotor, on turf, Andy Mattes won with little effort, after Tom Geffers had made a dead heat with him in the first tumble.

A gruelling sprint at fifty yards gave Joe Schmidt a chance to win out by a nose from Julius Kieckers, also after they had run a dead heat. At the same distance, Miss M. Lambertson won by a head from her

sister, Kate, with Miss Nietieski a stitch behind.

Batting a lawn tennis ball for distance gave Miss Lonsdale three inches to the good over Miss Ellis.

In a 300-yards relay race, Joe Schmidt and a namesake, with Geffers, a Fanwood boy, to help them out, won for the St. Joseph Sodality team over the Xavier and De l'Epee relays, at which the girls from Fordham cheered. At ball rolling, Miss Rhodes brought fame to her place, Rahway, N. J.

The De l'Epee tug-of-war team: J. J. O'Brien, O'Donnell and Geffers, showed up in great form, winning from the Xavier Club's strong men. Pete Redington, who was starter, smiled complacently at the result, and Timer Syl. Fogarty started a few jig steps.

Scorer Tom Grogan kept tab in the hit-the-coon contest. For ladies; Miss Agnes O'Brien and Miss Harrington, two southpaws, won out, the Harlem young Miss landing square on the cullud gemmen's proboscis, while her rival made a dent in his cheek. Julius Kieckers lugged the coffee-colored pussun through the Hoboken tunnel for a keepsake.

For the men, Koffer, who was a crack Fanwood player in his school days, connected twice with the darkey against once for Schurman, who played with the Lexington Avenue school boys. Both are married now.

At broad jumping, Duffy, Kieckers and Fred C. Berger finished one, two, three, as named. Five heats, all warm, decided a cup-of-water race, the final being taken by Miss Harrington, with Misses Romer and Kate Lambertson inches apart behind.

Six tug-of-war artists, with Miss K. Lambertson in charge, won over a rival sextette, of which Miss M. Lambertson was the coach. The judges, Messrs. Thos. Holland, Eugene Lynch, Dey Sullivan and Wm. Hanson, had to skip from the argument of the fair tuggers, so warm was debate that followed.

There were minor other contests, with ice cream, soda water, ginger ale to soothe the risibilities of the defeated competitors. The young man in charge of the booth, contemplates investing in suburban lots from the profits. The social side of the day's celebration was a great treat to all who took part, and the grand finale, before Benediction, was a substantial and appetizing lunch served by the ladies of the Institute. At Benediction, where Father McCarthy again officiated, Miss Margaret Flynn, one of the ladies of St. Joseph's, read the responses of the service in clear and graceful signs.

The president and treasurer of the Ephpheta Society, Miss Louise M. Cathor and Miss Nora Joyce, were congratulated on all sides for the successful termination of the day's celebration, and when good-byes were said, a happy but pretty tired party of deaf-mutes scattered for all roads for home, with feelings they had enjoyed a day well begun and happily ended.

On Saturday, August 14th, the German Society of Deaf Mutes of New York held their second annual dinner at National Hall, to celebrate the birth of their Society. Every member was present. Mr. A. Moliker from Boston, Mass., was also their guest. He afterward made a fine speech, congratulating them all, and also their Society. After him all members took their turn in speaking and applauding the hearty congratulations they received. After dinner all congratulated Messrs. Fred and Charles Donus from Hoboken, for their fine showing at the National Turnfest, which was held in Cincinnati, from June 21st to June 29th. They were first winners among many other athletes. Charles Donus also won second prize for champion heavy-weight lifting. Afterward Mr. W. Lipgens was elected Honorary President, and our Treasurer, John Vlach, reported that the sick benefit is still on the increase. All had a very joyous time and a hearty supper, everything being of the best.

Although the two recent outings in this vicinity were regular record-breakers in point of attendance, predictions are freely being made that Brooklyn Division's picnic on August 28th, will go them one better and establish a new high-water mark. These Brooklyn outings, with a reputation for orderly, well-conducted management, have always been liberally patronized, and this year under the auspices of the Frats, there is every reason to believe all previous records will be eclipsed.

Washington Park, on Grand Street, out in quaint old Maspeth, which still retains its primitive Dutch aspect despite its close proximity to the hustle and bustle of a great city, is an ideal picnic resort, grassy and verdant, redolent of the country. When mamma and the

kiddies get tired watching the daddies and the husky youths display their athletic prowess, they may adjourn to the woods with the baskets and indulge in an old-fashioned eat-fest. Trolley cars run direct from both bridges.

The Games Committee extend an invitation to the several organizations hereabouts, especially the Clark House, Xavier and New Jersey boys, to attend and participate in the various events to be run off. Cash prizes will be offered in each and every instance. A list of events is now being prepared and will be published in next issue of the JOURNAL.

Clubs desiring information may write to Chairman, W. L. Bowers, 119 E. 10th Street, New York City.

On August 8th, five fishermen went to Westchester, where the motor boat "Dorothy" took them to the fishing ground at City Island. They caught ninety-seven fishes. Patrick Murphy went in swimming, and while on the boat for a rest, Geo. Braun hooked a blackfish of one and one-half pounds. Mr. B. Smith picked it up to examine, when suddenly the fish slipped and went back into the water and started for Sandy Hook. Murphy dived after it, but he could not find it. He brought up a handful of black mud. The catches were: Geo. Braun, 26; beggar, 9 flounders and 1 black fish, (escaped); Frank Hayden, 18 bengeral; James McKenna, 16 bengeral, 1 flounder; Thomas Grady, 1 bengeral; Patrick Murphy, 14 bengeral. The boat is owned and engineered by Robert Ryan, of Westchester.

A Zoological Inspection Party, which had its origin in the Old Maid's Hall, 295 Sumpter Street, Brooklyn, had a successful ending in the Bronx Zoo Park on Wednesday last. Miss Annie C. Kugeler, who likes to assimilate personal experiences without assuming the responsibilities, acted as fostermother to the three children of her landlady, and took them to the Bronx Park, where they met Mrs. Annie Nickelson and her daughters, Mrs. Katie Eichelsel and her daughter, and Mr. Chris E. Vernon and his mother. Chris had his camera, and took several pictures of the group. After lunch and a launch ride around the lake and playing games, the children were taken around to see the animals. The infant daughter of Mrs. A. Nickelson afforded a delightful diversion to the party by its happy disposition. She was baptized in St. Ann's Church two weeks ago, by the Rev. J. H. Keiser, Christian E. Vernon and a hearing young lady, Mrs. J. Gallagher, standing as sponsors.

Among the spectators at Boston's Animal Arena, Coney Island, on Thursday evening were, Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Capelli, and Miss Anna Bonoff. This year many new and improved features have been added to the famous attraction of Coney, besides on this particular evening they were fortunate to see Capt. Bonavita re-enter the arena and subdue "Roosevelt," the lion that twice attacked him, and he was heartily applauded when he finally succeeded in conquering the beast.

Mrs. C. Bothner and children, of the Bronx, have returned home from the Mountains, several miles away from Orange, N. J., where they were recently spending a month's vacation. They just look the picture of health. Mrs. Bothner claims that she was a fine milkmaid and hay-raker during that time.

Mr. Wm. S. Abrams, who has just returned from the Northwest, brings kind remembrances, to the many friends at Fanwood and in New York, from Mrs. Cooke (nee Anna L. McPhail), who is now a teacher—as also is her husband—at the School for the Deaf at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The League of Elect Surds has engaged Ulmer Park for the first Saturday in August, 1910. That is a long time ahead. In the meantime, keep your eyes on the fourth page of this paper for announcement, shortly to be made, of its forthcoming winter Entertainment and Ball.

A reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bloom, on Thursday, August 12th. Those of the deaf present were: Mr. and Mrs. Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Schwing, Rev. John H. Keiser, Miss Stella Hirsch, Mr. Monae Lesser.

Last Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Manning and the children left for Onondaga, N. Y., for a month's vacation. Mr. Manning only stayed two days, as he must be in the city to attend to business.

Mrs. Theodore Little, Jr., and her two little boys, are spending a month with her mother, in Jewett, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leibsohn and the baby left for Wilkesbarre, Pa., on Tuesday, to visit relatives.

Charles Johnson has secured employment with Siegel, Cooper & Co.

## OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. H. Greener, 935 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

August 14, 1909.—Mr. Avery Van Emmon, Art teacher in the Washington State School and graduate of this, has been spending his vacation in the east. He spent several weeks in Chicago, visiting relatives and Ohio friends there, and, last week, came to Columbus to renew acquaintances of school days. He has been the guest of Mrs. Zell at Grandview. Saturday evening a reception was given him by Ernest and Miss Zell at their home, and the following went over to greet him: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Schory, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greener, Mrs. Ohlemacher, Misses Bessie and Agnes Edgar, Bessie McGregor, Marshall, Buchanan, Brunning and Bare of the Home. The porch and lawn were lighted up with Chinese lanterns, and the company engaged in social chat for a while, and after refreshments had been served retired to one of the rooms and entered upon a guessing contest,—i.e., giving the names of fifteen varieties of leaves of trees grown nearby. Each leaf was numbered to tally with the numbers printed upon slips of paper handed out. Several of the specimens proved puzzles to those who thought they were well up in forestry nomenclature. Next, the company gathered in the parlor, and was regaled with recitations and a funny story by Mr. Van Emmon and Mrs. Zell. Wednesday evening, Mr. Van Emmon, in company with Ernest and Miss Zell, called him a number of friends in the city, and Thursday evening, he was entertained with a dinner by the Zells, at which a few invited guests were present. He leaves to-day or Monday morning for his far western home, carrying with him the best wishes of his Columbus friends.

The Overlook Park picnic, last Saturday, was very well attended, about seventy-five deaf taking part in it. Messrs. McGregor, Ohlemacher, Showalter, of Columbus, Harley Goetz, of Wapakoneta, Becker, of Piqua, and many from Dayton and nearby places, were present. There were many well-filled baskets along, and at noon, visitors were made welcome to help themselves to their contents, and in the evening also. The occasion was very much enjoyed. The following contests were indulged in during the afternoon:

Ladies' walk—Threading the needle, won by Mrs. Jones, of Arcanum, belt pin. Peanut rolling—Mrs. Swank, of New Bremen, a fruit bowl. Tag of War by ten girls, each a handkerchief. Stone or bottle race by J. Fetters, of Potsdam, a pot of perfume. Men walk—Threading the needle, by Mr. Herbert, of Pleasant Hill, a scarf pin. Tag-of-War by ten men, each a handkerchief. Uphill race—Mr. Klepinger, of Arcanum, a watermelon. Watermelon race—Mr. Shepherd, fifty cents in cash.

It was decided to have a picnic at the same place next year. The officers chosen were: President, Sam Stebelton, of Dayton; Vice-President, Edna Fetters, of Potsdam; Secretary, James Smith, of Dayton; and Treasurer, Henry Ranzow, of Dayton.

Just before the election of officers there was some discussion as to what to do with the proceeds of the reunions, and it was decided to donate one-third from each year's net receipts. From the above picnic, the Home will be benefited something over five dollars.

Messrs. McGregor and Ohlemacher, who went down to Dayton, Friday noon, were the guests respectively of Mr. James H. Smith and Miss Clara Lingle, Mr. Ohlemacher returned, Sunday evening, and Mr. McGregor lingered till Tuesday night. Good times seem to have come to the Dayton deaf, as about all have work.

Mrs. James H. Smith is visiting her sister, at Georgetown, O. She has been suffering with rheumatism in an arm, and her brother-in-law, who is a physician, is treating her.

The Wapakoneta News in its last issue contained the following:

A deaf and dumb man named Thomas Spencer, of Lima, was run into by an automobile the other day, and nearly killed. This is a reminder that automobile drivers should adopt some scheme of signals that can be interpreted by persons who can neither hear nor talk. Many men who have all their wits about them have all they can do to keep from being bumped into eternity by the speeding autos, all of which reminds us that on the streets of Wapakoneta, one evening this week, a man, who can hear, see, talk and jump was almost scared out of his wits by the tooting of an auto horn in the hands and talk at the lips of the irrepressible Abe Wolf.

The Cleveland Ladies' Aid Society will give a rag-time Social at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Faulhaber, 3120 W. 103rd Street, N. W., Saturday afternoon and evening, August 21st, 1909. All ladies attending are requested to bring along their own and that for two others, and also a ball made up of rags with her name on a cord and tied up in the center of the ball. Prizes will be given to winners of the games. Deaf living in and out of Cleveland are cordially invited to attend and help along the worthy cause of the Society.

Grover C. Burchman, of Huntington, W. Va., was run in Detroit, the first of the month, met his brother, Elasco, and Daniel Whitehead there. The latter lives in the city and is doing well as a coremaker in the Ideal Co., of that place. He showed his visitors about the city and they enjoyed seeing the sights.

Recently Christopher Whitehead moved with his family from Corryville, O., to Huntington, W. Va., where he purchased a new ten-room house. Sunday last he and wife, whose maiden name was Mahale, visited relatives in Ironton, O.

The other day George Black while sprinkling the front lawn of the school-yard noticed a man and wife along the walk taking particular interest in his work. Steward Apgear happened to be near, and he was asked if George Black worked in the institution. They were told that the man with the hose was the person they inquired after, and he was told to go down to them. He wasn't able to recognize the lady, but when told she was his sister, a mutual recognition took place between the two. This was their first meeting in twenty years. She resides with her husband in Bell-air, O.

An awning graces the front portico of the main-building. Queer such a protection was not put up since the occupancy of the building forty-one years ago, for during summer days when Old Sol is at his best, a seat on the lower portico is anything but pleasant.

During the winter and early Spring, Superintendent Jones aside of his numerous duties busied himself in the preparation of a History and Manual of Information of the School. The matter involved a great deal of labor and research, and as a result we have now a very comprehensive manual of the objects of the school from its opening in 1829, also an account leading to its establishment. The book is copiously illustrated with views in and about the school, former Superintendents, and the present Board of Trustees. We regret however that a list, at least of all the pupils in the school since 1867, together with their age, time at school, and occupation, such as was given in the 1867 report, is not given. Such an addition comes handy often.

Those who were pupils of the school during the Superintendency of Dr. G. O. Fay, will readily recall the kindly countenance of Dr. E. B. Fullerton, who for a number of years prescribed for their ailments. Last week, while touring in the West, he was stricken with cholera morbus and died in Portland, Ore. His remains reached here Monday evening, and were buried in Green Lawn Cemetery, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pratt entertained the inmates of the Home with a religious talk last Sunday. They found Superintendent Byers going through the agonies of Job's affliction, and it has since been learned that he has been confined to his room all week with several ugly boils. Rosa Kuenzle came down Thursday and left for a two weeks' visit with her brother at Nevada, O. Miss Bare returned to the Home Sunday after a week's visit with friends in the City. Lucy Williams at present is assisting in the housework at Mr. George Clum's. Messrs. Elsass, Baker, Thomas, Homrighausen, Rich and Matthews, who have been assisting in painting about the institution, were laid off the past week, and have returned to their several homes.

A. B. G.

## CHICAGO.

H. A. Brimble, 3335 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago.

Women may not be savages, as Professor Starr insists, but did you ever tell one of them that her baby was homely?

Rev. Geo. Flick will leave here on a tour to Toronto, Canada, where he will conduct service on Sunday, August 22d, before the deaf populace of that town. He will be assisted by Rev. (whose name has not been mentioned). There are about one hundred and fifty deaf-mutes there, strong Episcopalians. Thence to Buffalo and other adjoining towns and States, which will cover ten days of his tour.

Prof. Berg will fill the pulpit here August 22d, at 3 P.M.

Miss Grace Hasenstab, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Philip Hasenstab, has returned home from a two weeks' sojourn in Decatur, Ill., where she had been a guest of Mrs. Tilley, of California.

Maintaining her custom to take a trip every Summer, Miss Peek has been traveling through the principal tourists' resorts in the East since last July, and will be gone until Fall.

An "advanced" dinner was given to the "advanced" grass-widowers, Prof. Berg, Morton Sonnborn and the writer, by Dr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Dougherty, whose kindly sympathy was aroused when they learned that the aforesaid grass-widowers had not had a square meal since their respective wives had hiked to the country. Mrs. Dougherty excelled herself in preparing the menu, to which, needless to say, the hungry three did ample justice. The look of mild concern on Mrs. Dougherty's face, as the viands disappeared, was a matter of complete unconcern to the aforesaid widowers. By the time Mr. and Mrs. Ben Frank called there was nothing left. How lucky we were that they did not come sooner, as every body knows Ben's capacity. We appreciated Dr. and Mrs. Dougherty's kindness and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Rev. and Mrs. Flick had the honor of booming the guest of honor, Prof. Berg, on the occasion. The Professor suggested that every deaf man possessing good health and means of maintaining his family should join a good life insurance, where the policy holder will eventually get more money than he would from a savings bank, or real estate investment.

The Epworth League, a religious branch of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which Rev. Mr. Philip Hasenstab is the pastor, has just founded a library of their own. At present it has twenty-five books of the best standard literature, of which twelve were bequeathed by Mr. Gage in his will, and who we remember was struck by a passing vehicle which knocked him down, and he sustained a few broken ribs, which paved the way to his immediate death some time last winter. The Gage books are said to be rare and valuable. This library has been founded to promote their temporal and spiritual welfare in general. The social and literary advantages is an important consideration to their members, as it keeps them in touch with all the standard literature, which they would otherwise miss. It raises the minds of its members to spiritual and moral thoughts.

Miss Laura Sheridan, the well-known evangelist, at present holds a position as teacher at the Jacksonville School. She was here on an evangelical tour, and gave an interesting talk before the Epworth League. Her subject was "To wait the Son from Heaven." The meeting was well attended.

Mrs. Ed. Miner, of Beloit, Wis., has taken unto herself a temporary "widowhood" from her husband, in order to visit relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Miner were formerly residents here, and they moved up to Beloit, where Mr. Miner is steadily employed in a large sewing machine factory.

Being blessed with a vacation, Mr. Beaman, an old-time familiar figure in the Chicago deaf-mute populace, improved the opportunity by taking with him his devoted wife and favorite nephew, Little Drinkwine, to Racine, Wis., to spend their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Drinkwine, of Racine, a brother of Mrs. Beaman's.

Mr. Drinkwine has been connected with the celebrated Racine Buggy and Wagon Manufacturing Co. for fifteen consecutive years.

Mrs. Raffington, probably the oldest deaf lady resident in Chicago, was stricken on the right side, some time ago, which necessitated her removal to a North Side Hospital, where she is put under a nurse's constant surveillance. Her condition is about the same as at first. Despite her advanced age, we still entertain hopes for her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Long are making preparations for their removal to Grinnell, Iowa, where he contemplates entering into partnership in a printing establishment. Being a born printer and possessed of a perfect knowledge of the art, we hope he will soon become an enter-

prising publisher. The writer will miss him.

Miss Eden, who holds a lifelong job as a teacher of the Jacksonville School, has a tendency to spend her summer vacation here, accompanied by Mrs. Buchan on a jaunt through the Michigan resorts and finally stopped at Paw-Paw Lake, where they expect to remain a week or so.

Mrs. Chas. Sullivan has returned home from her two months' sojourn in New York, triumphantly over her social success among the deaf there. "I was highly entertained at New York," she said. "I attended nearly all social functions and was received cordially. Mr. Hodgson was very courteous to me," she went on, "and he saw that I should attend the St. Ann's Social, and kindly showed me his printing department, which is fitted up in strictly up-to-date style, compact and neat. I was honored with an invitation to dinner with Principal Currier and family," she continued, and "I was certainly proud of the compliment thrust upon me," and concluded: "I shall never forget New York's kind hospitality and courtesy. The people have at least time to be polite and courteous to one."

## CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.

The Eighteenth Annual Picnic of the Central Pennsylvania deaf at Central Park, Allentown, Saturday, August 14th, was a great success. There were nearly a hundred deaf-mutes in the happy crowd, and nothing occurred during the whole day to mar the occasion. From Philadelphia there were ten, six came from Reading, and journeyed as far as Altoona. Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Dantzer, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Sanders and Miss Emma Atkinson (a teacher in the Hartford School), made the trip by way of the famous "Liberty Bell Route." The trolley line is laid on the same route which was used during the days of the Revolution to bring the "Liberty Bell" from Philadelphia to Allentown. At the latter place, it was hid in the basement of Zion Reformed Church for some time, and afterwards returned to Philadelphia.

The picnic was a typical family gathering. All of the picknickers sat down at one long table. All the refreshments were provided by the Allentown people, and it goes without saying that they added emphasis to the tradition of the true hospitality of the "Pennsylvania Dutch."

John Vankirk was master of ceremonies (and man of all work as well), and it was a joy to see him jump from one end of the table to the other, so eager was he to see that everybody had his "fill." And he was ably assisted by an army of willing men and women, whose names would bring into mention nearly everyone who was there. The prizes were also provided by the generous John. One was a substantial plaster statuette of a young man holding aloft a pan of cherries in his hand as to tempt the crowd. Cigars for the men were provided by some modest individual—but the other sex was unintentionally forgotten. However, the men were not lacking in gallantry, for the hat made a quick round and the "raise" was more than ample to send the ladies and children to the ice cream parlors.

Central Park is a worthy rival of Coney Island, with the exception of the questionable features of the latter. There are amusements galore, and as the weather was delightfully cool, everybody had a good time and went home happy and refreshed.

Any one wishing two free square meals, can secure the same on the second Saturday in August, 1910. Just go to Central Park, Allentown, and the people will give you the "glad hand."

Miss Ida Vankirk died, Monday, August 2d, from Bright's disease. The funeral was held at the residence of her uncle, John Vankirk. The circumstances surrounding her death are very sad.

Rev. C. O. Dantzer took part in the services with Rev. F. C. Smielau, Sunday, August 14th, at Grace Church, Allentown, and Christ Chapel, Reading. He preached two interesting and helpful sermons, on "Joshua" and "Deborah."

Rev. F. C. Smielau will hold services for the deaf of Western New York as follows:

Saturday, August 28th, 8 P.M., Epiphany Church, Niagara Falls.

Sunday, August 30th, 11 A.M., Trinity Chapel, Buffalo. 7:30 P.M., St. Luke's Chapel, Rochester.

Monday, August 30th, 8 P.M., St. Peter's Chapel, Geneva.

From Geneva, Mr. Smielau expects to go to Clayton, the gate to the Thousand Islands, for a few days' outing with the Rev. Harry Van Allen.

F. C. SMIELAU.

R. F. D. 3, Montoursville, Pa.

LOST—An earring with a ruby in centre and diamonds circling said ruby, at the Outing of the League of Elect Surds, at Ulmer Park, on Saturday, August 7th, 1909, by a lady guest. If any one has found it, and will return same to Mr. Anthony Capelli, at Fanwood, he or she will be handsomely rewarded.



## FANWOOD.

Mr. D. W. Davies finished his month's vacation, and returned here last Wednesday afternoon. He looks strong and well.

Mrs. Kavanagh invited Miss Bucher to go to Rockaway Beach for two days. They had a very fine time there.

Miss Lanz went to see her parents and her friends in Utica, and stayed three weeks. Last Tuesday she returned here and reported having a splendid time.

Miss S. Adcock went home for a short stay last Tuesday.

Misses Dorothy Nimmo, L. Berg and I. Peterson, paid a visit here last week. They wanted to talk with the girls, and regale them with vacation gossip.

Mr. McCarthy took Scism to Ulmer Park last week. The latter had never seen the park. He was interested in the relay race.

Mr. John V. Miller left here last Monday, to spend his vacation of one month.

Messrs. Gompers, Krieger, Denman and Kabanovitch went to the American League Park last Thursday, and saw an exciting game between Chicago and the Yankees. The Yankees lost by the score of 2 to 0.

Mr. Farley, a teacher of St. Rose Church, came here with Lydon to see the printing-office last week.

The boys here tried to make some kites. They have one good kite which flies high in the air, and almost loses itself in the cerulean blue.

William Knipe received a letter from his brother. The latter wanted to take him home for two days. He was very glad to go, as he had not been home for four months.

Mr. Spanner came from St. Luke's Hospital last Saturday. He looks well, but he is still weak.

Harry Blechner's brothers and his friend went to Tremont Avenue and saw the game between the Knickerbocker and Seminole teams. The latter won by the score of 7 to 5.

When Mr. George Wilkinson, who has had charge of the store-room the past sixteen years, was in the act of raising a can of milk last Thursday morning, in the store-room, when he was seized with a sudden pain in the lumbar region. He had to drop the can, and as he did so he nearly fell from loss of strength. As he was unable to walk or attend to his work, he was taken to his residence in West 169th Street. He is nearly well, and may be back at his work any day this week.

Miss Boyd, Superintendent of Hoyt Farm, Pawling, N. Y., invited Joseph Dennen to the farm for two days. Arthur Bailey was much surprised to see Dennen. They had an enjoyable time.

Miss Boyd gave some children a pleasant time in Pawling. Bailey made some cakes, and Dennen brought them in and gave them to the boys.

Joseph Dennen had never seen pigs or sheep, and he was very glad to see them. He learned much about domestic animals and how to feed them.

H. B.

### The Late Mrs. Chandler.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE 'DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL:

DEAR SIR:—I am deeply grieved to learn of the death of Mrs. Grace J. Chandler, who was a classmate of mine in Dr. Gallaudet's first class that he taught in the Institution. As to leaving Mr. Rider as the only living ex-pupil of the first High Class, I beg to state I am still alive. If Mr. Coffin is living, he is another.

Mrs. Chandler was of the same age as myself, I being two or three months younger. We were classmates together for three years under Dr. Gallaudet, one year under Mr. Bartlett, one under Rev. Mr. Carey, and two under I. L. Peet. The last year being in the first High Class. As a young woman Mrs. Chandler, then Miss Colvin, was a most lovely person, and I have no doubt it was her characteristic through life.

Green be the turf above thee  
Friend of my boyhood days,  
None knew thee but to love thee,  
None named thee but to praise.

EDGAR P. MOOREHOUSE.  
WILLIAMSTOWN, MASS.,  
August 12, 1909.

### Southern Diocese.

REV. OLIVER J. WHILDEN, General Missionary.

Church services are held in the following places by the lay-readers mentioned on such Sundays and other days, and at such hours as are locally announced. The general missionary visits these and numerous other stations throughout the South at intervals to be appointed and locally made known.

LAY-READERS.

Grace Chapel, Baltimore, Mr. G. W. Boss.

Trinity Chapel, Washington, Mr. H. L. Stafford.

St. Elizabeth's Church, Wheeling, Mr. J. C. Bremer.

St. Philip's Church, Durham, N. C., Mr. R. Fortune.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Ark., Mr. J. H. Eddy.

St. Paul's Church, New Orleans, La., Mr. H. L. Tracy.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

TWENTY-THIRD CONVENTION OF THE PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE DEAF.

AUGUST 19, 20, and 21, 1909.

Thursday morning, at 9:30 o'clock.

1. Invocation, Rev. Dr. Roger Israel, Rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.
2. Addresses of Welcome by Hon. John Van Bergen, Mayor of Scranton; Charles L. Clark, Chairman of the Scranton Local Branch.
3. Responses: Mr. James S. Reider, President of the Society; Thomas Breen, representing the other Local Branches.
4. Annual Address by President James S. Reider.
5. Report of the Board of Managers.
6. Report of the Treasurer of the Society.
7. Report of the Official Statistician.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Announcements by the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.
10. Addresses by members and others.
11. Recess.

Thursday afternoon.

The afternoon is devoted to sight seeing. A trip through the World-famous International Correspondence School; also to Nay Aug Park, Rocky Glen, Luna Park, Dr. Everhart's Museum, and other places of interest. Further particulars will be made known at the Convention.

Thursday evening.

1. Invocation by Rev. C. O. Dantzer, Pastor of All Souls' Church, Philadelphia.
2. Introductory Remarks by the President of the Society, James S. Reider.
3. Report of the Board of Trustees of the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf.
4. "The P. S. A. D., in Central Pennsylvania," a paper by Rev. F. C. Smiley, Missionary to the Deaf in Central Pennsylvania.
5. Discussion opened by Mr. James S. Reider, of Philadelphia.
6. Addresses by members and others.
7. Announcements by the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.
8. Adjournment until Friday morning.

Friday morning, at 9:30 o'clock.

1. Invocation by Rev. F. C. Smiley, of Williamsport, Missionary to the Deaf in Central Pennsylvania.
2. Report of Committees.
3. Reports of Local Branches, if any.
4. New Business.
5. The question of Federation (to be discussed by Members.)
6. Recess.
7. The Convention group to be photographed.

Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

1. Introductory Remarks by the President of the Society.
2. Reports of Committees.
3. Election of four new Managers in accordance with requirements of the Charter.
4. Recess and Re-organization of the Board of Managers.
5. Unfinished Business.
6. New Business.
7. Addresses by members and others.
8. Announcements by the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.
9. Adjournment sine die.

Friday evening, at 8 o'clock.

A reception at the Parish House of St. Luke's Church, by the Scranton Local Branch to visiting delegates to the Convention. Further particulars will be made known at the Convention.

Saturday, August 21st, all day.

Grand Excursion to and delightful Picnic at Moosic Lake, under the auspices of the Local Branch. Excursion tickets, 30 cents. Further particulars will be made known at the Convention.

### Hotel Accommodations.

Special arrangements have been made with the following named hotels to accommodate those proposing to attend the Convention.

Hotel Jermy, \$3.00 per day and upwards.

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Any desirable information may be obtained by writing to Morris Garbet, acting chairman of the Scranton Local Branch, Glyphant, Pa., Miss Hattie Eynon, Acting Secretary of the Local Branch, Lewis Garbet, Treasurer of the Local Branch, 948 Wheeler Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

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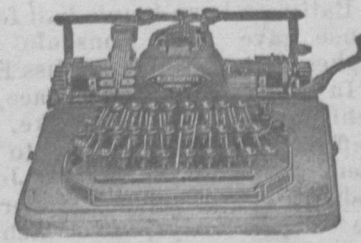
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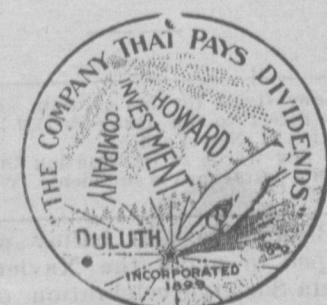
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